

I just got off the phone with my local Sinclair Broadcasting company, WGGB ABC-40 who told me that they do intend to broadcast the highly political and one-sided program "Stolen Honor". The gentleman I spoke with told me I should call their parent company to register my complaint, however, the number I was given was for the Jehovah's Witness Church. I repeated the number and I'm quite sure I dialed it correctly. This speaks volumes for what this station thinks about their attitude toward their duty to their viewing public for fairness.

I believe they should not be allowed to show this program without equal time to candidate Kerry.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.